*curved and beaked. Legume two-valved.*—The species Marilandica has *eight or nine pairs of leafets, which are oblong-lanceolate, and mucronate; an obovate gland on the petiole. Racemes axillary and terminal; legumes linear and curved.*

Class *Decandria*, order *Monogynia*. Natural orders *Lomentaceæ*, Linn. *Leguminosæ*, Juss.

The stems, which grow in bunches and often attain the height of five or six feet, are round, striated, and invested with a few scattered hairs. Petioles compressed, channelled above, bearing from eight to ten pairs of leafets, which are oblong, smooth, somewhat hairy at the edges, pale on the under side, supported by short crooked pedicels, and mucronated with a rigid bristle at the end. On the base of the petiole is a large ovate pedicelled gland, of a shining green, terminating in a dark point at top, which is sometimes double. Each petiole is also furnished with a pair of linear-subulate, ciliate, deciduous stipules. The flowers grow in axillary racemes, extending quite to the top of the stem. The peduncles are slightly furrowed, pedicels supported by bractes like the stipules, and marked with minute, blackish, glandular hairs. Leaves of the calyx yellow oval, obtuse, the lateral ones longest. Petals five, bright yellow, spatulate, concave, very